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Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.7 million head on March 1, 2012. The inventory was three percent above March 1, 2011.

Placements in feedlots during February totaled 1.71 million, three percent above 2011. Net placements were 1.62 million head. During February, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 400,000, 600-699 pounds were 335,000, and 700-799 pounds were 469,000 and 800 pounds and greater were 510,000. Marketings of fed cattle during February totaled 1.76 million, two percent below 2011. Other disappearance totaled 93,000 during February, 52 percent above 2011.

Cattle Placed on Feed by Weight Group, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by Month - United States

| Month | Year | Less than 600 lbs | 600-699 lbs | 700-799 lbs | 800+ lbs | Total |
|----------------|------|-------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| | | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) |
| February | 2011 | 400 | 365 | 492 | 410 | 1,667 |
| January | 2012 | 445 | 430 | 525 | 447 | 1,847 |
| February | 2012 | 400 | 335 | 469 | 510 | 1,714 |

Cattle and Calves on Feed, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by Month, State, and United States

| State | Number on feed February | | Placed during February | | Marketed during February | | Other disappearance during February | | Number on feed March 1 | |
|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------|--------------|--|--------------|---------------------------|--------------|
| | 2011 | 2012 | 2011 | 2012 | 2011 | 2012 | 2011 | 2012 | 2011 | 2012 |
| | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) |
| Arizona | 266 | 276 | 29 | 25 | 25 | 213 | 1 | 1 | 269 | 279 |
| California | 470 | 505 | 43 | 50 | 50 | 53 | 3 | 2 | 460 | 500 |
| Colorado | 1,070 | 1,140 | 215 | 165 | 210 | 200 | 5 | 15 | 1,070 | 1,090 |
| Idaho | 230 | 235 | 31 | 37 | 40 | 41 | 1 | 1 | 220 | 230 |
| Iowa | 660 | 650 | 71 | 85 | 79 | 62 | 2 | 23 | 650 | 670 |
| Kansas | 2,270 | 2,230 | 365 | 370 | 405 | 385 | 10 | 15 | 2,220 | 2,200 |
| Nebraska | 2,460 | 2,570 | 350 | 410 | 365 | 390 | 15 | 20 | 2,430 | 2,570 |
| Oklahoma | 375 | 355 | 60 | 48 | 73 | 61 | 2 | 2 | 360 | 340 |
| South Dakota | 270 | 260 | 45 | 47 | 48 | 45 | 2 | 2 | 265 | 260 |
| Texas | 2,870 | 2,900 | 380 | 380 | 405 | 415 | 15 | 25 | 2,830 | 2,840 |
| Washington | 207 | 227 | 31 | 41 | 30 | 32 | 3 | 3 | 205 | 233 |
| Other States | 423 | 463 | 47 | 56 | 61 | 50 | 2 | 4 | 407 | 465 |
| United States | 11,571 | 11,811 | 1,667 | 1,714 | 1,791 | 1,755 | 61 | 93 | 11,386 | 11,677 |

Hatchery Production

Florida

The February hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 4.52 million, was four percent above a year earlier. Broiler-type eggs in incubators on March 1 at 3.95 million, was three percent below a year ago.

United States

Broiler-type chicks hatched during February 2012 totaled 705 million, down one percent from February 2011. Eggs in incubators totaled 611 million on March 1, 2012, down five percent from a year earlier. Leading breeders placed 7.03 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during February 2012, down one percent from February 2011. Egg-type chicks hatched during February 2012 totaled 39.3 million, up five percent from February 2011. Eggs in incubators totaled 39.3 million on March 1, 2012, down two percent from a year ago. Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 238 thousand during February 2012, up 23 percent from February 2011.

Layers and Eggs

Florida

Table egg production in Florida during February 2012 was 200 million eggs, 13 percent below the previous month. Total egg production was 205 million eggs compared to 236 million eggs the previous month.

United States

United States egg production totaled 7.24 billion during February 2012 up three percent from last year. Production included 6.25 billion table eggs, and 987 million hatching eggs, of which 914 million were broiler-type and 73 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during February 2012 averaged 338 million, down slightly from last year. February egg production per 100 layers was 2,140 eggs, up four percent from February 2011. All layers in the United States on March 1, 2012 totaled 339 million, down slightly percent from last year. The 339 million layers consisted of 285 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 50.8 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.10 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on March 1, 2012, averaged 74.0 eggs per 100 layers, up slightly from March 1, 2011.

Layers and Eggs-Selected States and United States: February 2012

| Selected States | Average layers on hand | Egg production | Rate of lay per 100 layers |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------|
| | (1,000) | (millions) | |
| Alabama..... | 9,093 | 166 | 1,826 |
| Arkansas..... | 11,917 | 232 | 1,947 |
| California..... | 19,759 | 431 | 2,181 |
| Colorado..... | 4,764 | 108 | 2,267 |
| Connecticut..... | 2,270 | 49 | 2,159 |
| Florida..... | 9,485 | 205 | 2,161 |
| Georgia..... | 16,338 | 330 | 2,020 |
| Illinois..... | 4,485 | 97 | 2,163 |
| Indiana..... | 24,210 | 515 | 2,127 |
| Iowa..... | 51,196 | 1,106 | 2,160 |
| Maine..... | 3,590 | 82 | 2,284 |
| Maryland..... | 2,1777 | 50 | 2,297 |
| Michigan..... | 11,323 | 266 | 2,349 |
| Minnesota..... | 9,975 | 210 | 2,105 |
| Mississippi..... | 5,420 | 105 | 1,937 |
| Missouri..... | 6,692 | 143 | 2,137 |
| Nebraska..... | 9,226 | 214 | 2,320 |
| New York..... | 4,531 | 104 | 2,295 |
| North Carolina.. | 12,613 | 239 | 1,895 |
| Ohio..... | 27,972 | 596 | 2,131 |
| Oregon..... | 2,281 | 56 | 2,455 |
| Pennsylvania.... | 25,296 | 585 | 2,313 |
| South Carolina.. | 4,290 | 91 | 2,121 |
| South Dakota... | 2,371 | 52 | 2,193 |
| Texas..... | 18,396 | 397 | 2,158 |
| Utah..... | 3,556 | 75 | 2,109 |
| Virginia..... | 2,906 | 56 | 1,927 |
| Washington..... | 6,982 | 154 | 2,206 |
| Wisconsin..... | 4,924 | 109 | 2,214 |
| Other States ¹ ... | 20,181 | 414 | 2,051 |
| United States.... | 338,219 | 7,237 | 2,140 |

¹ Includes data for states not listed in this table.

Hatchery Production - United States

| Item | 2011 | 2012 | 2012 as % of 2011 |
|--|-----------|-----------|-------------------------|
| | (1,000) | (1,000) | |
| Egg Type | | | |
| Eggs in incubators: March 1..... | 39,975 | 39,322 | 98 |
| Chicks hatched during February | 37,336 | 39,300 | 105 |
| Chicks hatched January through.... | | | |
| February | 78,702 | 79,577 | 101 |
| Pullets hatched during February | 244 | 238 | 98 |
| for intended placements | | | |
| Hatchery supply flocks | | | |
| 7-18 months earlier ¹ | 3,168 | 2,936 | 93 |
| BROILER-TYPE | | | |
| Eggs in incubators March 1..... | 642,437 | 610,618 | 95 |
| Chicks hatched during February | 708,724 | 705,113 | 99 |
| Chicks hatched Jan through Feb.... | 1,489,847 | 1,456,983 | 98 |
| Pullets hatched during February | | | |
| for intended placements | | | |
| in hatchery supply flocks..... | 7,107 | 7,025 | 99 |
| 7-15 months earlier ² | 63,283 | 63,934 | 101 |

¹ 2012 includes pullet chicks hatched August 2010 through July 2011.

² 2012 includes pullet chicks hatched November 2010 through July 2011.

Milk Production

Florida: Florida dairy farms produced 212 million pounds of milk during February 2012, 7 percent above the previous February. Production per cow in February averaged 1,740 pounds, up 3 percent from February 2011. February 2012 had one more day due to it being a leap year. Total milk cows at 122,000, was up 3 percent from February 2011.

United States: Milk production in the 23 major States during February 2012 totaled 15.2 billion pounds, up 8.3 percent from February 2011. January revised production at 15.8 billion pounds, was up 3.9 percent from January 2011. The revision represented an increased of 24 million pounds or 0.2 percent from last month's preliminary production. Production per cow averaged 1,782 pounds for February, 117 pounds above February 2011. Milk cows totaled 8.51 million head, 102,000 head, more than February 2011

Milk Cows, Production – Florida, United States

| Month and year | Milk Cows ¹ | Monthly milk Production ² | |
|------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------|
| | | Per cow | Monthly Total |
| | (1,000) | (pounds) | (million pounds) |
| FLORIDA | | | |
| February 2011..... | 118 | 1,690 | 199 |
| January 2012..... | 122 | 1,780 | 217 |
| February 2012..... | 122 | 1,740 | 212 |
| 23 MAJOR STATES | | | |
| February 2011..... | 8,408 | 1,665 | 13,997 |
| January 2012..... | 8,502 | 1,859 | 15,806 |
| February 2012..... | 8,510 | 1,782 | 15,162 |
| UNITED STATES | | | |
| February 2011..... | 9,163 | 1,645 | 15,077 |
| January 2012..... | 9,241 | 1,836 | 16,970 |
| February 2012..... | 9,250 | 1,760 | 16,280 |

¹ Includes dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh.

² Excludes milk fed to calves.

Milk Production by Quarters - United States

| Month | Milk cows ¹ | | Milk per cow ² | | Milk Production ² | |
|--------------------|------------------------|---------|---------------------------|----------|------------------------------|------------------|
| | 2011 | 2012 | 2001 | 2012 | 20011 | 2012 |
| | (1,000) | (1,000) | (pounds) | (pounds) | (million pounds) | (million pounds) |
| January-March..... | 9,168 | | 5,286 | | 48,459 | |
| April-June..... | 9,191 | | 5,489 | | 50,448 | |
| July-Sept..... | 9,200 | | 5,292 | | 48,684 | |
| Oct.-Dec..... | 9,216 | | 5,279 | | 48,654 | |
| Annual Total..... | 9,194 | | 21,345 | | 196,245 | |

¹ Includes dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh.

² Excludes milk fed to calves.

Hogs and Pigs

United States: United States inventory of all hogs and pigs on March 1, 2012 was 64.9 million head. This was up two percent from March 1, 2011, but down two percent from December 1, 2010. Breeding inventory, at 5.82 million head, was up one percent from last year, and up slightly from the previous quarter. Market hog inventory, at 59.1 million head, was up two percent from last year, but down two percent from last quarter.

Hogs and Pigs Inventory Number, Sows Farrowing and Pig Crop - United States

| Item | 2011 | 2012 | 2012 as percent of 2011 |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (percent) |
| March 1 Inventory | | | |
| All hogs and pigs | 63,684 | 64,872 | 102 |
| Kept for breeding | 5,788 | 5,820 | 101 |
| Market | 57,896 | 59,052 | 102 |
| Market hogs and pigs by weight groups | | | |
| Under 50 pounds | 18,863 | 19,332 | 102 |
| 50 – 119 pounds | 16,060 | 16,456 | 102 |
| 120 - 179 pounds | 12,361 | 12,569 | 102 |
| 180 pounds and over | 10,612 | 10,695 | 101 |
| Sows farrowing | | | |
| December-February ¹ | 2,843 | 2,877 | 101 |
| March-May ² | 2,917 | 2,890 | 99 |
| December-May ^{3 4} | 5,760 | 5,767 | 100 |
| June-August ² | 2,927 | 2,880 | 98 |
| September-November..... | 2,894 | | |
| June-November ⁴ | 5,822 | | |
| Pig crop | | | |
| December-February ¹ | 27,866 | 28,681 | 103 |
| March-May | 29,252 | | |
| December-May ^{1 4} | 57,118 | | |
| June-August | 29,355 | | |
| September-November..... | 29,014 | | |
| June-November ⁴ | 58,369 | | |

¹ December preceding year.

² Intentions for 2012.

³ Actual farrowings for December 2011-February 2012 plus intentions for March-May 2012.

⁴ May not add due to rounding.

Livestock Slaughter

Florida

Commercial red meat production in Florida for February 2012 was 8.0 million pounds, 22 percent below last month and nine percent below last year.

United States

Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 3.91 billion pounds in February 2012, up three percent from 3.81 billion pounds produced in February 2011.

Beef and Veal Production at 2.01 billion pounds was 1 percent below the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.56 million head, down 2 percent from February 2011. The average live weight was up 21 pounds from the previous year, at 1,307 pounds. Veal production totaled 9.8 million pounds, 6 percent below February a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 60,200 head, down 13 percent from February 2011. The average live weight was up 12 pounds from last year, at 276 pounds.

Pork production totaled 1.88 billion pounds, up 6 percent from the previous year. Hog slaughter totaled 9.04 million head, up 6 percent from February 2011. The average live weight was up 1 pound from the previous year, at 278 pounds.

Lamb and mutton production, at 12.3 million pounds, was up 13 percent from February 2011. Sheep slaughter totaled 165,400 head, 7 percent above last year. The average live weight was 149 pounds, up 8 pounds from February a year ago.

Commercial Slaughter and Red Meat Production - Florida and United States

| Source and kind | February 2011 | January 2012 | February 2012 | Year to date 2011 | Year to-date 2012 |
|--|---------------|--------------|---------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| FLORIDA | | | | | |
| Hogs: | | | | | |
| Head slaughtered1,000 head | 5.3 | 5.3 | 4.1 | 10.6 | 9.4 |
| Total liveweight 1,000 pounds | 691 | 693 | 643 | 1,503 | 1,336 |
| Sheep and Lambs: | | | | | |
| Head slaughtered 1,000 heads | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| Total liveweight 1,000 pounds | 8 | 7 | 9 | 8 | 16 |
| Red meat production ¹million pounds | 8.8 | 10.2 | 8.0 | 17.4 | 18.2 |
| UNITED STATES | | | | | |
| Cattle: | | | | | |
| Head slaughtered1,000 head | 2,621.3 | 2,715.7 | 2,557.7 | 5,355.3 | 5,273.4 |
| Total liveweightmillion pounds | 3,359 | 3,524 | 3,336 | 6,904 | 6,860 |
| Average liveweightpounds | 1,286 | 1,300 | 1,307 | 1,294 | 1,304 |
| Beef productionmillion pounds | 2,020.4 | 2,113.8 | 2,009.0 | 4,143.4 | 4,122.8 |
| Calves: | | | | | |
| Head slaughtered1,000 head | 68.8 | 67.7 | 60.2 | 140.7 | 127.9 |
| Total liveweightmillion pounds | 18 | 18 | 17 | 36 | 35 |
| Average liveweightpounds | 264 | 262 | 276 | 263 | 269 |
| Veal productionmillion pounds | 10.5 | 10.4 | 9.8 | 21.3 | 20.2 |
| Hogs: | | | | | |
| Head slaughtered1,000 head | 8,506.0 | 9,537.7 | 9,044.5 | 17,610.3 | 18,582.2 |
| Total liveweightmillion pounds | 2,358 | 2,653 | 2,515 | 4,888 | 5,168 |
| Average liveweightpounds | 277 | 278 | 278 | 278 | 278 |
| Pork productionmillion pounds | 1,768.1 | 1,987.0 | 1,882.9 | 3,664.3 | 3,869.9 |
| Sheep and Lambs: | | | | | |
| Head slaughtered1,000 head | 155.0 | 164.8 | 165.4 | 316.4 | 330.2 |
| Total liveweightmillion pounds | 22 | 24 | 25 | 44 | 49 |
| Lamb and Muttonmillion pounds | 10.9 | 12.1 | 12.3 | 22.1 | 24.4 |
| Red meat production ¹million pounds | 3,810.0 | 4,123.4 | 3,914.0 | 7,851.2 | 8,037.3 |

¹ Includes total beef, veal, pork, lamb, and mutton.